

Minutes of the Goessel City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, March 15, 2021
Civic Center Community Room

Present: Mayor Dave Schrag; Council Members Duane Adrian, Evan Esau, Ben Schmidt, Kevin Klassen, Dean Snelling; City Clerk Jennifer Bliss; Free Press Reporter (via Zoom)

Absent: Public Works Director Karen Dalke

Guests: Susan Robson – City Attorney, Ron Plenert, Jerry Stika, Penny Morgan (via Zoom)

Called to order at 6:00 pm

Consent Agenda:

- **D Snelling moved, seconded by D Adrian to accept the consent agenda with included the minutes of the February 16th regular meeting and financial report. Motion carried.**

Cleanup Properties:

- Penny Morgan requested a 90-day extension of time to be able to correct the issues addressed in the letter for her property located at 104 S. State. By the end of May the plan is to do some renovation on the inside and tear down the workshop. She is planning to paint this summer and will look at the garage at that time as well. Council also would like her to address the front porch.
- **K Klassen moved, seconded by D Snelling to grant the 90-day extension. Substantial effort must be seen in order to satisfy the code and avoid further action. Will be evaluated after the 90-days on June 21st.**
- The trailer park was also mentioned as becoming an eyesore with trash in the street and large junk items sitting in yards for long periods of a time. Will send a letter to the trailer park owner to address these issues.
- Recycling center: the council wishes to abate the condition. It was also discussed that we could seek charges in court. Susan will draft the resolution and also one for the home on Sunflower Drive.

Mask Ordinance Repeal #292:

- Discussion was held on the proposed Ordinance to repeal the mask mandate. E Esau suggested we keep it another month, K Klassen stated that it should not be mandated and it should be an individual choice.
- **K Klassen moved, seconded by D Adrian to adopt Ordinance #292 repealing the previous Ordinance mandating masks. Motion carried with B Schmidt and E Esau opposed.**

Lift Station Agitator Quote:

- As of the meeting, the company has not submitted a quote.

Public Works:

- Ron reported in Karen's absence that they tested fire hydrants with ISO.
- Repair of the roof on the shop has been started.
- Been practicing with the new backhoe. It will take some getting used to but they are getting the hang of it.

Police:

- Investigation of an alleged sex crime. Suspect has been arrested.
- Bathroom at ball diamonds was vandalized.

City Clerk:

- KDOT cost share program is being offered again. This time it is a 10% match instead of 15%. Application started.
- LS Pump is being repaired and should be done in May. Also received a new chain to replace the plastic one.
- Election packets are available. Dave, Duane and Evan are up. Packets are due by 6/1 at noon.
- Yield signs requested at Buller & Prospect. It was decided to put them up on Prospect.
- Also put into another batch for the backhoe grant.
- New camera's to be installed sometime this week.
- 2 new homes are going up in the new development.

Adjournment:

- **D Adrian moved, seconded by D Snelling to adjourn at 6:48. Motion carried.**

Dave Schrag, Mayor

Jennifer Bliss, City Clerk